

Acute Care Surgery Acting Internship (SURG AI)

SU-489 four weeks

Updated April 2021

This Acting Internship will take place on the Acute Care Surgery Service, located on the University Campus with a focus on the team-based care of acute general surgery patients. Preference for the positions in the first 6 months of the fourth year are given to UMass students applying into surgical residencies.

After SU-489, the MS4 will be able to:

- Define the roles and responsibilities of a surgical intern, and assume the role of a junior resident/intern in patient care under the direct supervision of senior residents and attending (Physician as a Person and Professional)
- Effectively communicate with all team members (students, residents, attendings) as well as all services that interact with surgery on a daily basis (Physician as a Communicator)
- Perform a surgical consult (including appropriate history taking and physical exam), develop a care plan, and present to a chief resident (Physician as a Communicator, Clinical Problem Solver and Professional)
- Manage the care of 2-4 surgical patients, including having first-call responsibilities (Physician as a Clinical Problem Solver)
- Perform basic surgical procedures, including but not limited to NGT placement, urinary catheter placement, IV insertion (Physician as a Clinical Problem Solver and Professional)
- Teach basic surgical concepts and mentor third year clerks (Physician as a Communicator and Clinical Problem Solver)
- Respond with intern to all acute situations on the ward (acting-intern to carry service pager while on call) (Physician as a Clinical Problem Solver and Communicator)

Student competency is assessed based on evaluations of the student's demonstrated clinical knowledge and skills, presentation skills, communication skills, and professionalism.

Acting Internship Director

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